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## ADULT EDUCATION

### City of Boston and Private Foundations

#### English for New Bostonians

**Program:** The City of Boston and several private foundations are launching a major funding effort of English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) programs with a Request for Proposals targeted at reducing class waiting lists. English for New Bostonians (ENB) is a public/private/community partnership initiated by the Mayor's Office of New Bostonians (ONB). The ENB Project was a result of community meetings held in 1999 by the Mayor's Office of New Bostonians. These meetings confirmed ESOL as a key need of Boston's rapidly growing immigrant communities and identified the following objectives: 1) reducing the ESOL waiting list, 2) improving the coordination and communication between providers, and 3) creating a city-wide volunteer tutor corps. The ENB initiative combines funding from the City's Neighborhood Jobs Trust with funding from the Boston Foundation, Hyams Foundation, Fleet Charitable Trusts, Citizens Bank, Paul and Phyllis Fireman Fund, Nellie Mae Foundation, New England Regional Council of Carpenters, State Street Foundation and Verizon. **This Request for Proposals will fund successful bidders that propose to improve their new or emerging ESOL programs to provide ESOL services.**

**Funds:** English for New Bostonians' goal is to provide \$1 million per year in ESOL instruction and in-kind services to immigrants.

**Deadline:** Letters of intent: November 2, 2001.  
Full proposals: November 30, 2001.

**Eligible:** See RFP.

**Info:** Kerline Tofuri, Boston Adult Literacy Fund, Phone: 617-720-0181.

Copies of the RFP will be available by October 24, 2001 at the Boston Adult Literacy Fund at 3 School Street, Boston, MA and available on the Mayor's Office of New Bostonians website at [www.cityofboston.com/newbostonians](http://www.cityofboston.com/newbostonians) and the BALF web site at [www.BALF.net](http://www.BALF.net). The Space Survey to request municipal spaces to conduct ESOL classes will also be available to be picked up at BALF or downloaded from ONB's web site. If you would like a Space Survey be mailed or fax to you, please call the Office of New Bostonians at 617-635-2980. You may apply for both an ENB grant and/or municipal spaces.

*A grant seekers forum will be held from 10 AM to 12 Noon at the Boston Public Library,*

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*Copley Square, in the Mezzanine Conference Room, on Friday, October 26, 2001. The forum will provide opportunities for potential bidders to ask questions about the RFP and funding process. Copies of the RFP will also be available at the conference.*

## **Massachusetts Department of Education**

### **ABE Special Interest Group Convenor/Coordinator**

**Program:** The Dept of Education is seeking up to 5 contractors to convene and coordinate 1 or more of the following Adult Basic Education (ABE) Special Interest Groups: Volunteer Tutoring/Services; Bilingual/Native Language Literacy; ABE Health Education; Homeless Adults & Families; Civic Education & Participation. Each contractor will be expected to perform the following:

- ✓ Develop and maintain a database of ABE program directors/coordinators and other interested staff currently implementing services relevant to the special interest group.
- ✓ Prepare for and facilitate at least three meetings.
- ✓ Maintain ongoing communication among members via phone, email, VES (Virtual Education Space) and, possibly through a WEB site.
- ✓ Prepare and disseminate an annual report of the special interest groups activities and recommendations to all participating directors/coordinators and ACLS by June 30, 2002.

**Funds:** Total funds available for 1<sup>st</sup> year funding: \$30,000.

**Deadline:** November 21, 2001.

**Eligible:** See RFR.

**Info:** Bernadette Houghton, Ph.D, 350 Main Street, Malden, MA 02148 –5023, Phone: 781-338-3802, Fax: 781-338-3394, Email: [bhoughton@doe.mass.edu](mailto:bhoughton@doe.mass.edu), Link: [http://www.comm-pass.com/Comm-PASS/Scripts/xdoc\\_view.idc?doc\\_id=012105&dept\\_code=&cp\\_xx=](http://www.comm-pass.com/Comm-PASS/Scripts/xdoc_view.idc?doc_id=012105&dept_code=&cp_xx=)

## **EDUCATION**

### **Department of State/Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs**

#### **Fulbright American Studies Institutes for Foreign University Faculty**

**Program:** These programs are intended to provide participants with a deeper understanding of American life and institutions, past and present, in order to strengthen curricula and to improve the quality of teaching about the United States at universities abroad. Programs should therefore be designed to elucidate the topic or theme of the Institute as well as American civilization as a whole.

Applicants will be expected to develop and implement one of the following five post-graduate level programs:

- ✓ Religion in the United States;
- ✓ U.S. Foreign Policy: Foundations and Formulation;
- ✓ Contemporary American Literature;
- ✓ Immigration and Ethnicity: The American Experience;
- ✓ American Studies for Foreign Secondary School Educators.

**Funds:** See RFP.

**Deadline:** January 11, 2002.

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- Eligible:** Applicant institutions must demonstrate expertise in conducting post-graduate programs for foreign educators, and must have a minimum of four years experience in conducting international exchange programs.
- Info:** U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Office of Academic Exchange Programs, Study of the U.S. Branch, State Annex 44, ECA/A/E/USS--Room 252/301 4th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20547, Attention: Richard Taylor, Phone: (202) 619-4557, Fax: (202) 619-6790, Email: [rtaylor@pd.state.gov](mailto:rtaylor@pd.state.gov), Link: [http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=2001\\_register&docid=01-26122-filed](http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=2001_register&docid=01-26122-filed)
- FR:** 10/18 52958-52961

## **Department of Science Education**

### **The Albert Einstein Distinguished Educator Fellowship**

- Program:** Selected teachers spend up to one year in a Congressional Office or a federal agency. Agencies that have participated include: the Department of Energy (DOE), the National Science Foundation (NSF), the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the Department of Education (ED), National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), or the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP). The Fellows provide their educational expertise, years of experience and personal insights to these offices. Some of the outstanding contributions of Einstein Fellows have included:
- ✓ Drafting legislation and influencing policy that seek to improve K-16 education in the United States;
  - ✓ Initiating collaborations and establishing partnerships between federal agencies;
  - ✓ Designing and implementing national science, math, and technology education programs;
  - ✓ Creating Web-based science education programs;
  - ✓ Establishing and evaluating national and regional programs centered on school reform and teacher preparation in science, mathematics and technology.
- Funds:** During the Fellowship, Einstein Fellows receive a stipend of \$5,000 per month. Additionally, relocation expenses are reimbursed.
- Deadline:** February 1, 2002.
- Eligible:** Each applicant must meet the following criteria:
- ✓ Be a U.S. citizen at the time of selection (May 1);
  - ✓ Have a minimum of five years full-time classroom teaching experience;
  - ✓ Be teaching full time in a public or private elementary or secondary school;
  - ✓ Have a current teaching assignment with at least 3/4 of classroom contact hours in science, mathematics, and/or technology (*applies to secondary school teachers only*);
  - ✓ Provide three recommendations one of which is from a school district official.
- Info:** Distinguished Educator Fellowship Program, contact Todd Clark at (202) 586-7174 or Cindy Musick at (202) 586-0987 or via E-mail to [todd.clark@science.doe.gov](mailto:todd.clark@science.doe.gov) or [cindy.musick@science.doe.gov](mailto:cindy.musick@science.doe.gov), Fax: (202) 586-0019, Link: <http://www.scied.science.doe.gov/scied/Einstein/about.htm>

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## Think Quest Junior

**Program:** Think Quest Junior is a classroom-based competition that encourages students in grades 4-6 to take a meaningful interest in computers and technology. ThinkQuest Junior helps teachers promote the "Internet Style" of learning – an interactive, participatory method that encourages students to take advantage of the Internet as a constantly growing source of information and as a powerful collaborative tool. ThinkQuest Junior teams create educational Web sites on a variety of subjects. Now in its fourth year, ThinkQuest Junior is a locally run contest.

**Funds: Category Awards:**

Award Levels in each of the five Categories: Platinum, Gold and Silver. One to three winning teams will be selected for each award level in each of the five categories. The awards are:

- ✓ *The Platinum Award:* \$1,000 per student \$2,000 per coach \$1,000 per school
- ✓ *The Gold Award:* \$750 per student \$1,500 per coach \$750 per school
- ✓ *The Silver Award:* \$500 per student \$1,000 per coach \$500 per school
- ✓ *Best of Contest:* One team, selected from among all finalist teams, will win the Best of Contest Award of: \$1,500 per student \$2,500 per coach \$1,500 per school

**Deadline:** February 7, 2001.

**Eligible:** In order to participate in the ThinkQuest Junior Contest, applicants must be members of a team. A team consists of two to six student members and one to two coaches.

**Info:** All submissions must be made on line. [http://www.thinkquest.org/tqjr/jr\\_rules.html#A1](http://www.thinkquest.org/tqjr/jr_rules.html#A1)

## Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

### The Gates Millennium Scholars

**Program:** The Gates Millennium Scholars (GMS), funded by a grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, was established in 1999 to provide outstanding African American, American Indian/Alaska Natives, Asian Pacific Islander Americans, and Hispanic American students with an opportunity to complete an undergraduate college education, in all discipline areas and a graduate education for those students pursuing studies in mathematics, science, engineering, education, or library science. The goal of GMS is to promote academic excellence and to provide an opportunity for thousands of outstanding students with significant financial need to reach their fullest potential.

**Funds:** Individuals selected as Gates Millennium Scholars will receive funds in an amount to be allocated by GMS on the basis of financial need. The award will be based on the cost of tuition, fees, books, and living expenses for the 2002-2003 academic year, as well as the availability of grants and other scholarships reported on the submitted financial aid award letter.

**Deadline:** February 1, 2002.

**Eligible:** An individual is eligible to be nominated as Gates Millennium Scholars if he or she:

- ✓ Is African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian Pacific Islander American or Hispanic American;
- ✓ Is a citizen or legal permanent residents of the United States;
- ✓ Has attained a cumulative GPA of 3.30 on a 4.0 scale;
- ✓ Will enter an accredited college or university as full-time, degree-seeking freshmen in the

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fall of 2002;

- ✓ Has a significant financial need (i.e., meet the federal Pell Grant eligibility criteria); and
- ✓ Has demonstrated leadership abilities through participation in community service, extracurricular, or other activities.

**Info:** Gates Millennium Scholars, P.O. Box 1434 Alexandria, Virginia 22313, Phone: 1-877-690-GMSP (4677), Link: <http://www.gmsp.org/main.cfm>

### **The Independent Press Association**

#### **George Washington Williams Fellowship**

**Program:** The Independent Press Association announces the 2001-02 application cycle of the George Washington Williams Fellowship, created to encourage journalists of color to pursue important social issues in the public interest. The fellowship funds stories written by journalists of color about issues such as the environment, global trade policy, healthcare, race, and education. Fellows receive access to some research support, consultants, advanced professional training, and a large network of journalists working in the public interest sector. In addition, program staff work closely with fellows to publish their stories in major publications. Individuals may apply for financial and institutional support to write a single story, or they may seek an investigative or depth reporting fellowship of between three and twelve months to research a specific social issue.

**Funds:** If accepted, the George Washington Williams Fellowship will pay national commercial rates for individual stories or \$1500 per month plus expenses for depth reporting fellowships.

**Deadline:** November 16, 2001.

**Eligible:** Any journalist of color with at least three years of solid professional reporting and writing experience may apply for the fellowship. Individuals with backgrounds in investigative or enterprise reporting are preferred. Previous reporting or other experience in the chosen subject area is desirable. The fellowship is open only to U.S. citizens or to foreign journalists who have established relationships with U.S. publications. College journalism or internship experiences do not qualify as professional experience.

**Info:** Linda Jue, Phone: 415/643-4401 x10, Link: <http://www.indypress.org/programs/nvip.html>

## **ENVIRONMENT**

### **Environmental Protection Agency/Office of Research and Development**

#### **Development of Watershed Classification Systems For Diagnosis Of Biological Impairment In Watersheds**

**Program:** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Office of Research and Development solicits grant applications for establishing watershed classification schemes in different regions of the U.S. to support the design of efficient monitoring strategies, diagnose the causes of biological impairment, and prioritize watersheds for restoration activities. This will involve defining both the structural characteristics of a classification strategy (geographic dependence vs. independence, scale, hierarchy, discrimination of natural features from anthropogenic alteration), functional characteristics (theoretical basis for defining categories), and pragmatic aspects of implementation



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(regional and national relevance, ease of application, flexibility, accuracy, and nature of technical transfer products).

**Funds:** Range of grant awards (per year): \$150,000 - \$300,000.  
Range of grant awards (per three-year period): \$450,000- \$900,000.

**Deadline:** January 30, 2002.

**Eligible:** Academic and not-for-profit institutions located in the U.S., and state or local governments.

**Info:** Bill Stelz, Phone: (202)564-6834, Email: [stelz.william@epa.gov](mailto:stelz.william@epa.gov), Link: <http://es.epa.gov/ncer/rfa/02newwatchclass.html>

## HEALTH

### US Department of Health and Human Services HIV/AIDS Prevention Programs for Adolescents

**Program:** The Collaborative HIV Prevention Research in Minority Communities program is designed to assist investigators already conducting HIV-prevention research with ethnic minority communities to improve their programs of research and obtain additional funding for their work. The goals of the program are to: (1) increase the quantity and quality of HIV-prevention research targeting vulnerable ethnic minority populations; (2) develop theory-based, culture-specific research methods for effective HIV-prevention interventions; and (3) increase the number of minority group members among principal investigators funded by the NIH, CDC and other agencies. Each year a small number of scientists will be selected to develop an ethnic minority-focused HIV-prevention research project. Each scientist will work with CAPS investigators to develop a specific program of research tailored to his or her research interest.

**Funds:** Total funds available: \$2,550,000.

**Deadline:** January 25, 2002.

**Eligible:** Applications may be submitted by domestic and foreign, for-profit and nonprofit organizations, public and private, including universities, colleges, hospitals, laboratories, units of State and local governments, and eligible agencies of the Federal government. Racial/ethnic minority individuals, women, and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply as Principal Investigators.

**Info:** Center for AIDS Prevention Studies, 74 New Montgomery, Suite 600, San Francisco, CA 94105, Phone: 415-597-9162, Fax: 415-597-9213, Email: [bmarin@psg.ucsf.edu](mailto:bmarin@psg.ucsf.edu), Link: [www.caps.ucsf.edu/capsweb/projects/minorityindex.html](http://www.caps.ucsf.edu/capsweb/projects/minorityindex.html)

### Harvard Pilgrim Health Care Foundation Grants for Nonprofits

**Program:** The Harvard Pilgrim Health Care Foundation recognizes that a broad range of public health and medical care practices are utilized to promote health and prevent disease. The Foundation participates in the diversity of programming in public health and in clinical practice that exists throughout Massachusetts and beyond. In addition to its participation in many levels of community partnerships to improve health, the Foundation provides financial support to community-based organizations that are engaged in prevention programs utilizing public health strategies.

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**Deadline:** April 1, 2002; July 1, 2002; and October 1, 2002.  
*Please note that these dates are based on last year's dates...check the website for possible changes.*

**Eligible:** Nonprofits.

**Info:** Ralph Fuccillo, Executive Director, Harvard Pilgrim Health Care Foundation, 93 Worcester Street, 3W, Wellesley, MA 02481-9181, Phone: (617) 509-9421, Link: <http://www.harvardpilgrim.org/public/about/grantguides.cfm>

## **HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS**

### **Massachusetts Department of Transitional Assistance**

#### **RFR for Temporary Placement Manager for Temporary Placement of Homeless Families**

**Program:** The Department of Transitional Assistance (DTA) seeks a qualified organization to serve as Temporary Placement Manager (TPM) and assist in placing eligible homeless families in temporary lodgings. DTA operates an Emergency Assistance program that includes providing emergency shelter for homeless families. Currently homeless families are housed in DTA-supported family shelters located across the state. Periodically the demand for shelter placements exceeds the purchased capacity, and DTA is forced to consider alternative solutions for temporary placement of homeless families. Because the existing family shelter network is currently operating at full capacity, DTA has families temporarily residing in hotels/motels. DTA will refer these families to the selected TPM, who will arrange for the placement of families in hotels/motels and other temporary lodgings. The TPM will pay the hotel/motel vendors by means of a credit card or similar arrangement established by the TPM, and DTA will reimburse the TPM for these payments.

**Funds:** TBD.

**Deadline:** October 29, 2001.

**Eligible:** See RFR.

**Info:** Patrick Walsh, Director, Housing Unit, Department of Transitional Assistance, 600 Washington St - 2nd Floor, Boston, MA 02111, Phone: (617) 348-5330, Link: [http://www.comm-pass.com/Comm-PASS/Scripts/xdoc\\_view.idc?doc\\_id=011906&dept\\_code=&cp\\_xx=](http://www.comm-pass.com/Comm-PASS/Scripts/xdoc_view.idc?doc_id=011906&dept_code=&cp_xx=)

## **NONPROFITS & SOCIAL CHANGE**

### **The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation**

#### **Grants for Nonprofits**

**Program:** The purpose of the Foundation is to "aid and promote such religious, charitable, scientific, literary, and educational purposes as may be in the furtherance of the public welfare or tend to promote the well-doing or well-being of mankind." Under this broad charter, the Foundation currently makes grants on a selective basis to institutions in higher education; in cultural affairs and the performing arts; in population; in conservation and the environment; and in public affairs.

**Funds:** Varies widely. (See online summary of past awards.)



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**Deadline:** Rolling.  
**Eligible:** Nonprofits.  
**Info:** The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, 140 East 62nd Street, New York, NY 10021, Phone: (212) 838-8400, Link: <http://www.mellon.org>.

### **The Dana McLean Greeley Foundation for Peace and Justice**

#### **Grants for Nonprofits**

**Program:** The Greeley Foundation makes grants to organizations and community projects which directly address violence, oppression, and hopelessness for youth and their families. Projects are sought which help develop conflict resolution skills, appreciation of diversity, academic and personal potential, and leadership capacity for children, youth and their families. Of additional interest are projects which reach across ethnic, racial, and economic boundaries, and which provide opportunities for urban and suburban participants to work together.

**Funds:** Average grant size: \$3,000.

**Eligible:** Nonprofits.

**Info:** Ms. Carolyn C. King , Address: 33 Bedford Street Concord, MA 01742, Phone: (978) 369-7386, Fax: (978) 369-7387, Email: [greeleyf@ma.ultranet.com](mailto:greeleyf@ma.ultranet.com)

### **The F.B. Heron Foundation**

#### **Grants for Nonprofits**

**Program:** The F.B. Heron Foundation has recently consolidated its grantmaking and social investing to five core wealth-creation strategies for low-income families and communities. The following are the five areas:

- ✓ Increasing access to capital;
- ✓ Supporting enterprise development;
- ✓ Advancing home ownership;
- ✓ Reducing the barriers to full participation in the economy by providing quality child care; and
- ✓ Employing comprehensive community development approaches with a strong focus on the wealth creation strategies noted above.

**Funds:** Range of first time grant awards: \$25,000-\$50,000.

**Eligible:** Nonprofits.

**Info:** Mary Jo Mullan, Vice President, Programs, The F.B. Heron Foundation, 100 Broadway, 17th Floor, New York, NY, Fax: (212) 404-1805, Link: <http://www.heronfdn.org>.

## **PHILANTHROPY**

### **Council on Foundations**

#### **The Robert W. Scrivner Award for Creative Grantmaking**

**Program:** The Robert W. Scrivner Award for Creative Grantmaking was established in 1984 to recognize a grantmaker who has demonstrated outstanding creativity. It honors grantmakers who, with a combination of vision, principle and personal commitment, are making a critical difference in a

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creative way. The award was created as a memorial to the late Robert Winston Scrivner, former staff associate of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund and first executive director of the Rockefeller Family Fund, by a number of his friends and colleagues.

**Funds:** The award, a specially commissioned sculpture, is presented at the Council on Foundations' Annual Conference and is accompanied by a cash award of \$10,000.

**Deadline:** January 11, 2002.

**Eligible:** Individuals, not institutions, are eligible for the award. Nominees may be either a staff person or a trustee who is not the original donor of the organization. Individuals must be currently practicing grantmakers. Individuals from private, community or corporate foundations, corporate giving programs and operating foundations that are members of the Council on Foundations or a regional association of grantmakers will be considered. Only members of the Council on Foundations are eligible to nominate individuals for the award. Nonmembers may submit or suggest nominations through a Council member.

**Info:** Robert W. Scrivner Award, Council on Foundations 1828 L Street, NW Suite 300 Washington, DC 20036 202/466-6512, Email: [webmaster@cof.org](mailto:webmaster@cof.org), Link: <http://www.cof.org/newsroom/awards/RWSAward/rwsaward2002.htm#eligibility>

## **YOUTH**

### **Blank Family Foundation**

#### **Grants for Youth**

**Program:** The Arthur M. Blank Family Foundation is committed to supporting programs and organizations that create opportunity enhance self-esteem and increase awareness about cultural and community issues among young people.

**Funds:** Total grants awarded in FY 2000: \$16,488,355.

**Deadline:** December 4, 2001.

**Eligible:** Nonprofits.

**Info:** Deva Hirsch, Co-Director ,The Arthur M. Blank Family Foundation 3290 Northside Parkway, N.W. Suite 600, Atlanta, Georgia 30327 Telephone: 404.239.0600 , <http://www.blankfoundation.org/letter.html>

### **Kenneth J. Germeshausen Foundation**

#### **Grants for Youth**

**Program:** The Foundations has a focus on emphasis on children and youth programs. Program interests include community culture, performing & visual arts, education programs in cultural institutions, and K-12 education programs.

**Funds:** Total grants awarded in FY 01: \$2,329,692.

**Eligible:** Nonprofits.

**Info:** Martin S. Kaplan, Esq. Trustee, Hale & Dorr, 60 State Street Boston, MA 02109, Phone: (617) 526-6610 Fax: (617) 526-5000.

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**Prudential Insurance Company of America/National Association of Secondary School Principals  
Prudential Spirit of Community Awards**

- Program:** The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards recognize students in middle and high school grades who have demonstrated exemplary community service. The awards program is sponsored by the Prudential Insurance Company of America in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP).
- Funds:** Local Honorees receive a certificate of recognition from their organizations. State Honorees receive an award of \$1,000, an engraved silver medallion, and an all-expense- paid trip to Washington, D.C., for national recognition events.
- Deadline:** October 31, 2001.
- Eligible:** Young people in grades 5-12.
- Info:** Prudential Spirit of Community Awards, Phone: (888) 450-9961, Link:  
<http://www.prudential.com/community/spirit/awards/instruct/cmsai1005.html>